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TAGS: PFOR, LE, IS

SUBJ: ISRAELI POWS IN LEBANON

REF: STATE 238718

1. ASST DIRGEN EVRON OF FONMIN CALLED DCM  
LAST NIGHT ON SUBJECT OF TWO ISRAELI POWS BEING HELD  
BE LEBANON. SAYING HE WAS CALLING UNDER INSTRUCTIONS  
FROM PRIME MINISTER, EVRON ASKED THAT WE RELAY TO DEPT  
GOI REQUEST THAT U.S. INTERCEDED WITH LEBANESE IN EFFORT  
TO OBTAIN EARLY RELEASE OF POWS. GOI WAS MAKING THIS  
REQUEST IN VIEW OF ABSENCE OF ANY PROGRESS ON ISSUE IN  
TALKS BETWEEN ISRAELI AND LEBANESE MILITARY REPRESENTA-  
TIVES. DCM SAID WE WOULD RELAY REQUEST PROMPTLY TO  
WASHINGTON.

2. COMMENT: IT IS POSSIBLE THAT SUBJECT OF ISRAELI  
POWS IN LEBANON HAS ACQUIRED SOME POLITICAL IMPORTANCE  
FOR MRS MEIR IN LIGHT OF GOI FAILURE SO FAR TO GET ANY  
MOVEMENT ON SENSITIVE ISSUE OF ISRAELI POWS IN SYRIA.  
ALTHOUGH EVRON DID NOT REQUEST ANSWER TO HIS DEMARCHE,

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WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL IF WE COULD BE GIVEN

A U.S. RESPONSE IN NEXT FEW DAYS TO PASS ON TO GOI.

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